Curbside Leaf Pick-up Program

Beginning on October 31st the City's Public Works Crews will be out in your neighborhoods collecting leaves.

The Curbside Leaf Pick-up Program helps reduce flooding caused by leaves clogging storm drains plus provides homes a solution to clearing all of their leaves from their yards. Please note the dates that the crews will be in your neighborhood by referring to the map on the reverse. To address some suggestions by the residents the order of the areas has been altered in order to meet the demand of Nature's whimsy.

To experience the full benefit of the program and assist the crews in collecting as many leaves as possible please follow these guidelines:

- Please have <u>loose leaves</u> at curbside on the first day of your scheduled pick up area. Leaves that have been trampled or crushed by traffic or have been sitting for a long time cannot be sucked-up by the machinery and will be left.
- Loose leaves, if placed in the street, should be raked into rows instead of a single pile and must be 12" away from the curb to allow for water drainage to the storm drains.
- Crews will not walk onto private property to retrieve
- We ask citizens to not use bags for curbside pick-up.
- There will be no curbside pickup on Private Streets.
- To be most efficient we ask citizens not to park vehicles or place refuse/recycling bins on or near leaves at curb. The equipment is big and bulky and cannot reach tight areas between obstacles.





PLEASE BE ADVISED that piles of leaves in the street are tempting to young kids to play in and motorists to drive through. Parents, please inform your children of the dangers of playing in or around roadways at all times and encourage street smarts and safety with your family and neighbors.

The City's Street Sweeper will NOT pick-up piles left behind when he rolls down your street. Please do your best to ensure that the City crews can gather as many leaves as possible.

Only leaves will be picked up. Yard debris, lawn clippings and garbage will not be collected. Any items other than leaves will be left at curbside with the homeowner responsible for disposal. Contact Pride Disposal for more information on disposing of leaves and most plant materials from your yard or garden.

Visit <u>sherwoodoregon.gov/publicworks</u> for a map of areas and dates and look for signs near the streets announcing our schedule.

If you missed your scheduled pick up dates, or want to dispose of your leaves early, the City will have a **Central Drop-off at the Public Works Yard** at 15527 SW Willamette Street (next to the Field House). With a donation of 2 or more cans of non-perishable food for the Helping Hands local food bank you can bring your leaves on **Saturday December 3rd from 9:00 AM until 3:00 PM**.

